of Jammu and Kashmir, male and femmale both, belonging to different age groups have been reported to have committed suicide due to domestic/financial compulsions, strained relations and failure in examinations. In first 11 days of June 2007, 7 persons (3 male, 4 female) committed suicide and 4 persons (1 male, 3 female) attempted suicide. In these incidents, cases have been registered.

(c) Awareness is being spread that this act is against religious preachings and abhorred by society. Many NGOs are also engaged in educating youth to desist from such an act.

The intellectuals, doctors, students and respectable persons organize seminars and symposiums to discuss suicide, highlight the factors responsible and educate the people against this malice.

Preventing infiltration through Indo-Bangladesh Border

†1114. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government, in association with the Government of Bangladesh, are formulating any programme to prevent illegal infiltration on the Indo-Bangladesh border; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) and (b) The Government of India has been taking up the issue of illegal infiltration of Bangladeshis at various bilateral forums with Government of Bangladesh. The issue has featured at Regular meetings of Directors General of BSF with Bangladesh Rifles, Joint Working Group and Home Secretary Level and Foreign Secretary Level Talks. This issue has also been taken up with Government of Bangladesh at the political level in addition to the existing institutional framework.

Prisoners died in Tihar jail

†1115. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of prisoners died in Tihar jail Delhi in the years 2006 and 2007 respectively and also the number of prisoners who died unnatural death;

(b) the number of cases wherein the jail authorities have been found to be guilty for the deaths of prisoners who died unnatural death; and

(c) the action being taken by Government against the guilty persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) During the year 2006, 22 prisoners died in Tihar Jail out of which one death was due to suicide. In the year 2007 (upto 17.8.2007), 22 prisoners died out of which one was due to suicide.

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